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TAGS: WHO, KS, KN, YE

SUBJ: 26 TH WHA: NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO

MEMBERSHIP

REF: STATE 65086; STATE 66738; STATE 74828

1. IN ACCORDANCE DEPT'S INSTRUCTIONS ( REFTELS),  
DCM RAISED SUBJECT NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO  
MEMBERSHIP AT 26 TH WHA WITH FONMIN UNDERSECY KHODR  
APRIL 15. HE EXPLAINED US POSITION THAT RAISING OF  
CONTENTIOUS ISSUE OF WHO MEMBERSHIP COULD JEOPARDIZE  
CHANCES FOR PROGRESS IN NORTH- SOUTH TALKS. TWO SIDES,  
PARTICULARLY AT DELICATE INITIAL STAGE, SHOULD BE  
LEFT ALONE TO WORK OUT PROBLEMS TOGETHER. CHANGAIIN  
INTERNATIONAL STATUS OF TWO SIDES BY ACTION OF OUT-  
SIDE PARTIES COULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE. ( IN SOMEWHAT  
SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES YAR HAD REFRAINED FROM ANY  
ACTION WITH REGARD TO EAST GERMANY UNTIL BONN AND EAST  
BERLIN HAD CONCLUDED BASIC TREATY) FURTHERMORE ACTION  
BY WHA INAPPROPRIATE SINCE MEMBERSHIP IS ESSENTIALLY  
POLITICAL MATTER WHICH SHOULD FIRST BE TREATED IN  
MAJOR UN POLITICAL FORUM.

2. ACCORDINGLY, DCM NOTED, USG SUPPORTS ROK EFFORT TO  
POSTPONE COONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION TO WHA AND IS  
PREPARED TO CO- SPONSOR DRAFT RESOLUTION. USG BELIEVES  
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YAR COULD MAKE POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION BY VOTING FOR  
POSTPONEMANT AT 26 TH WHA.

3. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, DCM REVIEWED YAR VOTING  
RECORD ON KOREAN QUESTIONS ( USUN 1081) AND OBSERVED  
THAT THIS RECORD DID NOT SEEM TO HIM TO CORRESPOND  
TO WHAT HE UNDERSTOOD TO BE YARG'S OWN  
POLICY OF NON- ALIGNMENT. IN PARTICULAR HE NOTED YAR  
HAD SUPPORTED NORTH KOREA IN 1970 UNGA AND HAD CO-  
SPONSORED PRO- NORTH INITIATIVE IN 1972.

4. KHODR MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT, BUT PROMISED  
TO CONVEY DEMARCHE TO HIS GOVT. WE HAVE ALSO SENT  
HIM AID MEMOIRE COVERING ABOVE POINTS.

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